

NOTICES OF RULEMAKING DOCKET OPENING

The Administrative Procedure Act (APA) requires the publication of Notices of Rulemaking Docket Opening when an agency opens a rulemaking docket to consider rulemaking. Under the APA effective January 1, 1995, agencies must submit a Notice of Rulemaking Docket Opening before beginning the formal rulemaking process.

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BOARD OF PHARMACY

[R07-413]

- 1. Title and its heading:** 4, Professions and Occupations
Chapter and its heading: 23, Board of Pharmacy
Articles and their headings: 4, Professional Practices
Section numbers: R4-23-411 (As part of this rulemaking, the Board may add, delete, or modify additional Sections as necessary.)

2. Subject matter of the proposed rule:

During the November 15, 2007 Board meeting, the Board determined that several changes to R4-23-411 (Pharmacist-administered Immunizations) should be made as requested by the Arizona Pharmacy Alliance and interested pharmacists. The changes include the following: replacing the words "hepatitis, influenza, meningococcal, pneumococcal, smallpox, and tetanus booster" with the word "adult" throughout the rule, adding the words "of vaccines in the Center's for Disease Control (CDC) recommended adult immunization schedule and vaccines recommended in the CDC's Health Information for International Travel" after the word "immunizations" in the second sentence of R4-23-411(A), and inserting the word "adult" after the words "pharmacist-administered" wherever found in the rule. The changes will allow certified immunization pharmacists to administer FDA-approved adult vaccines to an adult with a valid prescription order and increase the availability and reduce the cost of necessary adult vaccines for Arizona citizens. The rules will include format, style, and grammar necessary to comply with the current rules of the Secretary of State and Governor's Regulatory Review Council.

The agency docket number, if applicable:

R0706

3. A Citation to all published notices relating to the proceeding:

None

4. Name and address of agency personnel with whom persons may communicate regarding the rule:

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5. The time during which the agency will accept written comments and the time and place where oral comments may be made:

The Board will accept written comments Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Oral comments may be made:

Time: Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Location: Board of Pharmacy
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Written and oral comments will be accepted until the close of record on a date and time as yet undetermined.

6. A timetable for agency decisions or other action in the proceeding:

None